

AMENDMENTS TO THE SPECIFICATION:

Please replace the paragraph beginning at page 2, line 3 with the following rewritten version:

-- This application is a divisional application of U.S. Patent Application No. 10/051,290 filed on January 22, 2002, now U.S. Patent No. 6,693,493 issued on February 17, 2004. The entire disclosure of U.S. Patent Application No. 10/051,290, now U.S. Patent No. 6,693,493 is hereby incorporated herein by reference. --

Please replace the paragraph beginning at page 22, line 23 with the following rewritten version:

-- In the first cascode unit, the first and second complementary devices Qn61 and Qn62 are serially connected such that drain of the first complementary device Qn61 is connected to source of the second complementary device Qn62. Source of the first complementary device Qn61 is grounded via impedance units. Gate of the second complementary device Qn52 Qn62 is grounded via impedance unit. Drain of the second complementary device is connected to the first power source, e.g., positive voltage source. --

Please replace the paragraph beginning at page 23, line 5 with the following rewritten version:

-- In the second cascode unit, the third and fourth complementary devices Qp61 and Qp62 are serially connected such that drain of the third complementary device Qp61 is connected to the source of the fourth complementary device Qp62. Source of the third

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complementary device Qp61 is connected to the first power source, e.g., positive voltage source. Gate of the fourth complementary device Qp52 Qp62 is grounded via impedance unit. Drain of the second complementary Qn62 device is grounded via impedance units. --